ISSUES, REVIEW & FINANCE WORK SESSION September 28, 2023

A special meeting of the St. Clair Borough Council was held to review issues and finances on Thursday, September 28, 2023, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

In attendance included council members: Thomas Adamchick, Joann Brennan, Cheryl Dempsey, Thomas Dempsey, Judy Stednitz-Julian, Tony Klazas, President William Dempsey and Mayor Richard Tomko.

Others in attendance included Borough Secretary Roland Price, Barbara Artz and Police Chief William Dempsey.

Council Member C. Dempsey questioned the parking sign at the old Washuta Gas Station. Chief Dempsey stated that the only spot not available for parking would be where the driveway was located. The rest of the area is available for anyone to park. The Zoning Officer will be asked to inspect the building for violations.

Mayor Tomko asked if Engineer Baldwin could have someone inspect the banks of Mill Creek that runs through town. He feels that the overgrown brush may create a problem in the event of a flooding issue.

Borough Secretary Roland Price reviewed the Borough Secretary's Notes,

- A resident from the Arnot's Addition area complaint of an awful smell coming from the marijuana plant located in the adjourning township. The smell occurred around 3AM (Complaint occurred 9/15/2023 and on several other occasions.)
- •The Teamsters Union conducted an audit on the Teamster's Pension Plan on Tuesday, September 19th. Results are pending.
- •The 2022 Municipal Audit will begin on Monday, October 16th through Thursday, October 19th with our new accounting firm.
- •Regarding the 500 Fairview Street issue, the Zoning Hearing Board met twice, the first on Tuesday, August 29th and after testimony taken, the hearing was continued until September 26th. Due to the lateness of the hour, Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor James Caravan continued the hearing until Tuesday, October 10th where the two remaining board members will deliberate.
- •The Handicap Barrier Removal Project began on Tuesday, September 26.

- •The Police Sergeant's exam will be Administered on Thursday, October 5th at 6 p.m. by the St. Clair Civil Service Commission.
- Regarding the 2024-Council Meeting schedule, Thursday, March 28, 2024, is Holy Thursday, and a work session is scheduled. After consideration council decided to meet on Tuesday, March 26.
- •Council must set Trick or Treat night. Halloween is Tuesday, October 31st.
- •Discuss the dumpsters at two locations in town.
- •The Police Negotiating Committee met with the Chief of Police to receive the contract proposals. We conducted a cost analysis on the proposals, and it is attached to the documents in your packet.
- Sgt. Joseph Leskin's last day of work is October 10th.
- Code Official Brestowski and I attended a hearing concerning 21 Pike Street.

Mayor Tomko and Secretary Price presented the Minimum Municipal Obligation's (MMO's) to council. These documents contain the pension information needed for inclusion in the 2024-budget.

Trick or Treat night was discussed. Council may change the time from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. to 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Two areas of large volume of garbage collection for the St. Clair Sanitation Department were reviewed. The areas of concern were Original Italian Pizza Restaurant and the St. Clair Elementary school District. Further discussions may be held at the October Council meeting.

T. Dempsey was concerned of the property near the school. The property is up for sale. The neighbor has been cutting the grass. The borough workers have already cut the brush back once and are asking Street Superintendent to supply a bill to place against the property.

President Dempsey thanked council members Klazas, Stednitz-Julian and T. Dempsey for meeting with the police and going over the contract. They are all in agreement with everything the police are proposing. There was nothing extravagant and it was done very well. The proposed contract will be voted on at the next council meeting.

Secretary Price and Chief Dempsey agree that the past contract and several awards need to be compiled into one document. Secretary Price discussed it with Attorney Brennan, and both agree the attorney's office should compile it. Chief Dempsey discussed the issue with the Fraternal Order of Police, and they said any party could redo it as long as both parties agree. And when it is completed, it is checked by both parties so there are no changes made.

Mayor Tomko asked council what the total cost of the contract would be over five years. He suggested it be worked out for budgetary purposes. He questioned details of the premium holidays versus regular holidays. He also stated the reason he asked about the cost is because the borough will need revenue to pay for the contract.

Stednitz-Julian inquired when Patrolman Blanner would become a Sergeant considering Sergeant Leskin is leaving the borough's work force. She was informed Blanner will be taking the Sergeant's test on Thursday, October 5th.

Stednitz-Julian asked if we could get an LED streetlight on the corner of the woodland Terrace because it is so dark in that area. She also mentioned the weeds are very high across the street from Sverchick's house. The Borough Secretary replied it will be addressed. She commended the Street Department for the fantastic job of painting the word "SLOW" on the road at the development.

C. Dempsey inquired where did we stand with the contracts of the borough superintendents? President Dempsey said we will ask Attorney Brennan on Tuesday.

The meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

OCTOBER COUNCIL MEETING

The October Council Meeting of the St. Clair Borough Council was held on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, in Council Chambers, St. Clair Borough Municipal Building, 16 S. Third Street, St. Clair. The meeting began at 6:30 p.m.

Council President Dempsey called to order the October 2023 monthly council meeting.

Answering the roll call were council persons: Joann Brennan, Cheryl Dempsey, Thomas Dempsey, Judy Stednitz-Julian, Tony Klazas, Council President William Dempsey and Mayor Richard Tomko. Absent was Councilman Thomas Adamchick.

Also, present included Solicitor Edward Brennan, Engineer Brian Baldwin, Borough Secretary Roland Price, Treasurer Carol Sutzko, Street Department Superintendent Kevin Dempsey, Police Chief William Dempsey, Patrolperson Cara Brennan, Patrolman Vincent Bennett, Acting Sergeant Brad Blanner, Code Enforcement Officer Michelle Brestowski, Zoning Officer Greg Stednitz, Fire Chief Frank Uhrin, Mary Jo Moss, Melinda Deibert, and Norm Diehl.

Councilman Klazas read a healing prayer for Councilman Tom Adamchick.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council member Joann Brennan read the council prayer.

Copies of the minutes of the previous council meetings have been given to Mayor Tomko and borough council members, are there any errors or corrections? If not, they stand approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Fire Chief Frank Uhrin read a letter into the record on behalf of the Alert Fire Company #1, Columbia Hose Company #2 and Phoenix Fire Company #4. The letter asks Borough Council to apply for a 2023 PA DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA) Local Share Account (LSA) for a building at the center of the community on the lot next to the Alert Fire Company on South Second Street. By having their equipment in one location, it will provide a more productive operation at an emergency by having personnel respond to one location as opposed to three, and will make it better for those in need, who will receive a quicker and more efficient response while making it safer for our first responders. The letter is made part of the minutes by reference.

Mayor Tomko commended them on the beautiful document and they that do a great job. Mayor Tomko asked Engineer Brian Baldwin if there is anything we

could do to support this grant, the whole community would appreciate it. He also asked families to encourage their younger generations to consider joining the volunteer fire companies.

MAYOR'S REPORT

1. Mayor Tomko presented commemorative medallions from The Odd Fellows Organization to the six policemen in the department thanking them for their service. He presented Police Chief William Dempsey, Patrolwoman Cara Brennan, Patrolman Vincent Bennett, Acting Sergeant Brad Blanner to come forward to receive their medallions.

Council President Dempsey thanked them for their service as well.

- Motorists are urged to be extra careful on the streets of our borough on the evening of October 31st as that is when Halloweeners will be trick or treating. Parents are urged to examine the items collected so as to be sure that they have not been tampered with.
- 3. Residents are advised that a new "revised" Covid 19 vaccine booster is available.
- 4. Residents are reminded to consider getting their yearly flu shot as we should expect an active flu season.
- 5. Mayor Tomko requested an executive session at the end of the meeting, before new business is conferred to discuss the police negotiations and potential contract.

Historical Note

During the 1870's and 1880's St. Clair was home to a shovel manufacturing plant as well as a box factory.

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On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Brennan, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Attorney Brennan reviewed the conservatorships list. 21 Pike Street – The judge approved the sale to Mr. Griffiths. He is going to demolish the structure. 307 E. Railroad Street – A hearing will be held October 9 to approve the final plan. We are already conservator; we are requesting permission to accept proposals from some party to rehab the structure.

212 Cherry Street – A hearing is scheduled for October 26^{th.} The mortgage holder would like to rehabilitate the structure.

601 Wade Road, 438 S. Front Street, 102-104 Cherry Street, and 311 Broad Street were appraised by Holden Insurance Agency. Ron Zimmerman from the County Demolition Department is going to review fair market value for these properties since we may not be able to get the acceptable amount for them for various reasons.

Concerning 500 Fairview Street, the Zoning Hearing Board will reconvene on October 10 to render a decision.

A new Dumpster Ordinance was dictated based on the notes of last month's meeting and should be ready to adopt at November's meeting.

An executive session was also requested to discuss personnel issues, potential litigation matters, negotiating of real estate and the amusement tax.

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Brennan, to accept the report and to make it part of the minutes by reference; approved.

Questioned by Brennan, Solicitor Brennan stated the five members of the authority can be council members or not.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Klazas, the report was unanimously approved and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Stednitz-Julian, the report was unanimously approved and it was made part of the minutes by reference. Street Superintendent Kevin Dempsey requested an Executive Session for personnel reasons.

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT REPORT

On a motion made by Brennan, seconded by Klazas, the report was unanimously approved and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

T. Dempsey questioned who was responsible for the pole replacement and the cementing of the poles for the Comcast project. President Dempsey said any work done by Comcast is Comcast's responsibility.

TREASURER'S REPORT

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Stednitz-Julian, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference. Treasurer Carol Sutzko reviewed the report.

TAX REPORT

On a motion made by Klazas, seconded by C. Dempsey, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

POLICE REPORT

On a motion made by Klazas, seconded by Brennan, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

Chief Dempsey reported that by 2020 Tahoe's needed to have their transmissions completely rebuilt. They were under warranty. One of the 2020 Tahoes has a gas fuel evaporation issue, Weavers will keep the Tahoe until this repair is made.

The police department is interested in any grants that can be found for license plate readers. Engineer Baldwin is not aware of any at this time.

Police Chief Dempsey reported the Police Station building is in need of repair, along with the parking lot.

ZONING REPORT – On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Stednitz-Julian, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Stednitz-Julian, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

Fire Chief Uhrin stated the fund drive is underway. Attorney Brennan questioned whether they were considering merging departments; they may have better opportunities with grants if they were all merged. Other communities have faced the same issues. Uhrin explained when they have looked into merging in the past, double money was granted for the first 10 years and then went back to the original amount. They currently get funding for the five companies and are managing efficiently and making it work.

CODE DEPARTMENT REPORT

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Klazas, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

COMMUNICATIONS

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u>

NEW BUSINESS

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Brennan to hire Barbara Artz as a school crossing guard, approved.

On a motion by T. Dempsey, seconded by Brennan to begin the process of conservatorship for 214 South Third Street, approved.

The situation of the garbage for Original Italian Pizza and the St. Clair School will be discussed at the budget meeting in November.

On a motion by T. Dempsey, seconded by Stednitz-Julian to set Trick or Treat night on Tuesday, October 31 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., approved.

Council President Dempsey called an executive session at 7:10 p.m. to discuss personnel issues and pending litigation matters.

The executive session adjourned at 8:50 pm.

On a motion made by T. Dempsey, seconded by C. Dempsey to approve the crack sealing project in an amount of \$19,125, approved.

A motion was made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Stednitz-Julian to pay all bills, and claims properly approved by council, approved.

A motion was made by T. Dempsey, seconded by Klazas to adjourn the meeting at 8:51p.m., approved.

Roland Price Borough Secretary

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October 3, 2023

Mr. William Dempsey Council President St. Clair Borough Council 16 S Third Street St. Clair, PA 17970

RE: Consulting Engineer's Report (CER)

Benesch Project No. 31433.02

Dear Mr. Dempsey:

The following is the status of engineering services performed by our firm as of this date:

ENGINEERING CONSULTATIONS & CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Property Maintenance Activities (31311.70; 31433.02 Task 6)

We are working with the Borough Secretary, Code Enforcement Officer, and Solicitor to address multiple properties intended for demolition using both County and Borough funds. We have been working with Mr. Charles Altshuler, owner of adjoining properties of 113 E Hancock St, in preparation for its demolition. Initially, 113 and 115 were one house. Over the decades, the home was converted into two residences in various forms, complicating the demolition.

Schuylkill County HBR Project

Construction has begun and is expected to be complete on time with Substantial Completion scheduled for October 17, 2023, with Final Completion October 31, 2023. The contractor is required to coordinate all work with the Borough.

Grant Assistance (31433.02, Task 5)

PCCD Police Grant

We have been working with the Police Department and the Borough regarding the purchasing and grant reporting requirements. Quarterly reporting is required for the life of the grant term (until April 20, 2025). Once any of the equipment is received, the Borough can submit for reimbursement.

LSA Garbage Truck

The grant received (effective March 16, 2023) was in the amount of \$301,609.00 and expires on June 30, 2026. We have received updated price quotes from PA-COSTARS vendors for the chassis (Mack Granite 84BR) and compactor (Heil DuraPack 5000 32 CY) meeting the Borough requirements. The latest price quote has a total price of \$305,376.02 (\$3,767.02 higher than grant). The Borough will be responsible for any amounts above the grant amount. We have confirmed with DCED CFA that once the Borough Superintendent approves the truck specifications within the proposal, the Borough can order the truck. Payment is due at the time of delivery, which is expected to take at least 12 months. Once purchased and delivered, the Borough can submit to DCED for reimbursement of the grant funds.



LSA Electric Bucket Truck

Finally, the CFA has opened the Statewide LSA grant with an application deadline of November 30, 2023. This is the same funding source of the garbage truck grant. We are working with the Electric Light Department to receive updated price quotes for a high-reach bucket truck. A Resolution will be prepared for your consideration at your November meeting.

Schuylkill County Hazard Mitigation Plan (31433.03, Task 1)

Our office has been assisting the Borough with completing the several tasks that the County has requested to facilitate their update to the Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP). Projects identified in the HMP can help meet FEMA eligibility criteria for many grant programs. The next task is to attend the Planning Partners Meeting scheduled for October 4, 2023.

2023 Crack Sealing (31433.02, Task 7)

As requested, our office prepared the bid specifications and solicited price proposals to place 750 gals of asphalt crack sealing on various Borough streets. Price proposals were due at 1pm earlier today (October 3, 2023). The results of that solicitation are attached for Council's consideration.

St. Clair Little League Project (31226.20)

As requested, our office prepared the bid specifications and solicited price proposals to perform the Little League field improvements which include infield drainage and reconstruction and ADA walkway improvements. Also included as an alternate was the backstop replacement. Price proposals were due at 1pm earlier today (October 3, 2023). The results of that solicitation are attached for Council's consideration.

SUBDIVISIONS & LAND DEVELOPMENTS

Taco Bell LD (30567.32, Task 2)

The last major outstanding item of work to be performed by the Developer is the paving of the pathway along Mill Street to Taco Bell. This path might become a part of the Schuylkill River Trail. Nevertheless, Taco Bell has been in operation since late 2015. We have reached out to CCCC for a status update several times, but they have not provided any updates.

Coal Creek Commerce Center – Phase III LD (30839.32, Task 2)

As of early 2019, work in the area of the medical office building is essentially complete, although a majority of the remainder of Phase III – including stormwater features – has not yet been started. There are three (3) more buildings and associated infrastructure yet to be completed. We have reached out to CCCC for a status update several times, but they have not provided any updates. However, in discussions with the Count Conservation District, we were told that CCCC has submitted an NPDES permit time extension request, which has been approved to December 2024.

STS LD (31137.31, Task 1)

All sitework appears to be complete. We are awaiting the submission of record plans before closing out this project.

AutoZone LD (31137.31, Task 3)

Site preparation work is progressing. We will continue to monitor the project as construction progresses.



POTENTIAL FUNDING/GRANT SOURCES (31433.02, Task 5)

RECREATION

COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND VEHICLES

PA DEP: Driving PA Forward, Onroad Rebate Program – Trucks and Buses

• Current Status: CLOSED

• Anticipated Opening: October 2023 - FINAL ROUND

- <u>Background</u>: Approximately \$5 million is available to fund rebates for projects that replace or repower fleets of 5 or fewer class 4-8 trucks, port drayage trucks, school buses, shuttle buses, and/or transit buses.
- <u>Uses</u>: Class 4-8 trucks with Model Years 1992-2009 with at least 3 years of remaining useful life are eligible for rebates for repower or replacement with new diesel, electric or alternative fuel. **Vehicles must be scrapped**.

• Funding: Max 70% up to the following Maximums per Vehicle:

	Truck Class	Diesel	Alt Fuel
-	6-7	\$70,000	\$105,000
-	8	\$122,500	\$157,500

This is a rebate voucher program that reimburses for costs incurred.

USDA Rural Development: Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program

Current Status: OPEN

- Application Deadline: Applications accepted continuously throughout the year.
- <u>Uses</u>: Funds can be used to purchase, construct, and/or improve essential community facilities (including police & fire stations), purchase equipment (including vehicles), and pay related expenses.
- Funding: Low interest direct loans and/or grants (max 75%). Most funding via low-interest loans.

TRANSPORTATION/INFRASTRUCTURE

USDOT: FY 2023 Bridge Investment Program (BIP)

- Current Status: CLOSED Opening TBD
- Application Deadline:
 - Planning Grants: 45 days after publication (~Nov 2023)
 - Bridge Projects: 90 days after publication (~Dec 2023)
- <u>Uses</u>: Authorized under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), projects that replace, rehabilitate, preserve, or safeguard NBIS bridges, and for culvert replacement/rehabilitation on the NBIS to enhance flood control and aquatic habitat connectivity.
- Funding:
 - O Planning Grants: No minimum nor maximum; requires 20% match
 - o Bridge Projects: \$2.5 minimum; requires 20% match (\$500,000 minimum)
- Anticipated Award Announcement: Spring/Summer 2024
- Potential Project(s): Thwing Street Bridge Replacement, Carroll Street Bridge Replacement

USDOT: FY 2024 RAISE Discretionary Grants

- Current Status: CLOSED Opening Nov 2023
- Application Deadline: anticipated Feb 2024
- <u>Uses</u>: Highway, bridge, and other road projects, public transportation, passenger and freight rail, port
 infrastructure investments, surface transportation components of eligible airport projects, intermodal,
 and more.
- Funding:
 - O Planning Grants: No minimum nor maximum
 - Projects: \$1 minimum/\$25M maximum; typically requires 20% match but may be waived for rural areas



- Anticipated Award Announcement: Summer 2024
- Potential Project(s): Thwing Street Bridge Replacement, Carroll Street Bridge Replacement

MULTI-PURPOSE/USE

2023 PA DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Local Share Account (LSA) – Statewide

- Current Status: OPEN (as of Sep 01, 2023)
- Application Deadline: Nov 30, 2023
- <u>Uses</u>: Projects in the public interest. Projects that improve the quality of life of citizens in the community. Eligible projects must be owned and maintained by an eligible applicant or a nonprofit organization. Eligible uses include acquisition; construction; demolition; infrastructure; purchase of vehicles, machinery and/or equipment; and project design and administrative costs.
- Funding:
 - o Grants are available for projects with a total cost of \$25,000 or more.
 - Grants shall not exceed \$1M for any project.
 - NO Match is required.
 - Applicants may submit multiple applications.
- Anticipated Award Announcement: September 2024
- Potential Project(s): Electric Bucket Trucket.

PENDING/AWARDED GRANT APPLICATIONS

2022 PA DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Local Share Account (LSA) – Statewide

Project Garbage Truck

Total Project Estimate \$301,609

Borough Portion \$0 (0%)

Date Submitted Mar 15 2022

Award Notification Mar 16 2023

Application Status AWARDED \$301,609

2022 PA DCNR Community Partnerships Program (C2P2), Small Communities (SC) Program

Project Northward Playground Basketball Courts

Total Project Estimate \$70,000

Borough Portion \$20,000 (29%)

Date Submitted Apr 6 2022

Award Notification Sep 6 2022

Application Status AWARDED \$50,000

PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD): Local Law Enforcement Support (LLES) Grant Program

Project Equipment and Technological Upgrades

Total Project Estimate \$177,018

Borough Portion \$0 (0%)

Date Submitted Oct 31 2022

Award Notification Mar 8 2023 (Second Rnd)
Application Status AWARDED \$87,660

2023 PA DCNR Community Partnerships Program (C2P2), Small Communities (SC) Program

Project John Siney Park

Total Project Estimate \$125,000

Borough Portion \$47,500 (38%)

Date Submitted Apr 5 2023

Award Notification Fall 2023

Application Status Under Review



2023 PA DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Greenways, Trails, Recreation Program (GTRP)

Project

John Siney Park

Total Project Estimate

\$150,000

Borough Portion

\$22,500 (15%)

Date Submitted

May 31 2023

Award Notification

Nov 2023/Jan 2024

Application Status

Under Review

2023 PA DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Multimodal Transportation Fund (MTF)

Project

Thwing St Bridge Replacement

Total Project Estimate

\$2,264,000

Borough Portion

\$0 (0%)

Date Submitted

July 30 2023

Award Notification

Nov 2023/Jan 2024

Application Status

Under Review

ST. CLAIR ACTION ITEMS

- 1. 2023 Crack Sealing Council should consider the price proposals received and consider awarding the project to the lowest responsible bidder.
- 2. St. Clair Little League Project Council should consider the price proposals received and consider awarding the project to the lowest responsible bidder.
- 3. Potential Grant Opportunities Council may wish to consider any of the open or pending grant opportunities.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. If you have any questions or comments concerning the above, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

Brian W. Baldwin, PE Project Manager

Attachments: 2023 Crack Sealing – Summary of bid proposals

St. Clair Little League Project - Summary of bid proposals

Cc:

Atty. Edward M. Brennan, Solicitor (w/ attachments)



Borough of St. Clair 2023 St. Clair Crack Sealing Benesch Project No. 31433.02, Task 7

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Company	Address	City	Phone POC	POC	Email Address	Qty	Unit	Unit Unit Price	Base Bid
Asphalt Maintenance Solutions, LLC (AMS)	PO Box 387	Center Valley	(610) 797-2645	Terry Crouthamel, Jr.	(610) 797-2645 Terry Crouthamel, Jr. tcrouthameljr@amsroads.com	750	Gallons	Gallons \$25.50	\$19,125.00
Martin Paving Inc.	531 E 28th Division Highway	Litiz	(717) 626-2494 Jordan Martin	Jordan Martin	mpoffice@martinpaving.com	750	750 Gallons		NO BID
Ronnie C. Folk Paving, Inc.	716 Water St	Shoemakersville	(610) 562-3550	Christine Luckenbill	(610) 562-3550 Christine Luckenbill folkpaving@comcast.net	750	750 Gallons		NO BID
Schuylkill Paving Inc.	285 Blue Mountain Rd	Schuylkiil Haven	(570) 754-7800 Kerri Thomas	Кепі Thomas	klthomas@schuylkillpaving.com	750	750 Gallons		NO BID

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St. Clair Little League Project Benesch Project No. 31226.20

			SLC Excavating		Columbia Excavating, LLC	ating, LLC	WG Land Company, LLC	any, LLC	Giacorp Contracting Inc	ting Inc
			Quarryville, PA		Berwick, PA		Champion, PA		Hawthorne, NY	
Item No.	Description	Otty Unit	Unit Price	Item Price	Unit Price	Item Price	Unit Price	Item Price	Unit Price	Item Price
St. Clair Litt	St. Clair Little League Field Improvements - Base Bid			\$87,603.57	-	\$111,830.00		\$171,045.00		\$430,269.40
130010-001	Infield Mix, Materials & Delivery	4380 SF	\$2.07	\$9,066.60	\$2.00	\$8,760.00	\$3.00	\$13,140.00	\$6.32	\$27,681.60
1300/10-002	Grass Sod, Materials & Delivery	7210 SF	\$0.80	\$5,768.00	\$2.00	\$14,420.00	\$3.50	\$25,235.00	\$5.52	\$39,799.20
1300/10-003	Bases and Pitching Rubber, Materials & Delivery	1 LS	\$864.28	\$864.28	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00
1300-10-005	Baseball Infield Installation	11.5	\$33,181,49	\$33,181,49	\$64,000.00	\$64,000.00	\$32,000.00	\$32,000.00	\$248,000.00	\$248,000.00
130010-021	4" Underdrain, Materials & Delivery	1000 LF	\$7.15	\$7,150.00	00'2\$	\$7,000.00	\$7.00	\$7,000.00	\$18.50	\$18,500.00
130010-022	6" Underdrain, Materials & Delivery	60 LF	\$25.55	\$1,533.00	00.6\$	\$540.00	\$7.50	\$450.00	00'08\$	\$1,800.00
130010-023	Underdrain Installation	1060 LF	\$14.61	\$15,486.60	05°5\$	\$5,830.00	\$49.00	\$51,940.00	\$52.35	\$55,491.00
321216-001	Asphalt Paving, Materials & Delivery	240 SY	\$15.39	\$3,693.60	\$21.00	\$5,040.00	\$42.00	\$10,080.00	\$66.66	\$15,998.40
321216-002	Asphalt Paving, Installation	240 SY	\$45.25	\$10,860.00	\$21.00	\$5,040.00	\$125,00	\$30,000.00	\$77.08	\$18,499.20
St. Clair Little	St. Clair Little League Field Improvements - Alternate 1 - Backstop	Ь		\$28,222.11		\$25,500.00		\$32,000.00		\$42,050.00
130010-031	Backstop, Materials & Delivery	1 LS	\$14,559.60	\$14,559.60	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$19,000.00	\$19,000.00	\$17,050.00	\$17,050.00
130010-032	Backstop, Installation	1 LS	\$13,662.51	\$13,662,51	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$13,000.00	\$13,000,00	\$25,000,00	\$25,000.00
St. Clair Little	St. Clair Little League Field Improvements - Alternate 2 - Topdressing	sing		\$3,801,00		\$7,240.00		\$3,620.00		\$15,566.00
130010-004	130010-004 Infield Topdressing	3620 SF	\$1.05	\$3,801.00	\$2.00	\$7,240.00	\$1,00	\$3,620.00	\$4.30	\$15,566.00
Total Extended	pep	100000000000000000000000000000000000000		\$119,626.68		\$144,570.00		\$206,665.00		\$487,885.40

September Street Dept.

Collected garbage, recyclables and ashes for the entire month of September.

Checked and maintenance parks and playgrounds daily.

Worked on borough half installing new drop box.

Cut all grass several times throughout the borough.

Installed 200 feet of wire in the police station and out to third street.

Entire borough garage was washed and cleaned.

Salt shed was dismantled, and we started to rebuild wall and floors.

"SLOW" signs were painted on the road in the new development.

Inlets tops were cleaned after every storm.

Maintenance

S-4 Yellow Dump truck, repaired oil pan, rebuilt front end of the truck. Installed new brakes, rotor's; upper and lower ball joints; axel joints; new exhaust; oil change and serviced this truck.

150 A - Did a full service.

150 B - Did a full service.

Police Charger – Full service and installed snow tires.

Welded push bars on police Tahoe's.

RECEIVED A BID FOR \$17,400.00 to repair garbage truck for extensive fabrication, welding and labor. We did the repairs all **in house** for **under \$1,000**.

Electric Light Department Report

September 2023

August Energy Cost \$146,773.08 / 1,912,020 KWH.

New 100 amp service hookup 247 Broad Street.

Electric Bills taken to Pottsville Post Office Tuesday 9/12.

Terminated Electric service to 4 for non-payment.

Received 2 Quotes for New Bucket Truck, sent them to Brian for Grant Application.

Changed out 3 residential meters to commercial demand meters.

Placed order required PPE for new Hire.

Changed out PPE and sent for 6 month safety testing.

43 poles delivered for Com Cast Project, unloaded, stored at Southward.

Call out 8:15 am Sunday 9/24/23 Traffic signal Hancock/Second, Power outage 11 Thompson Street, Large tree down across lines Grant Alley. Fire Dept. assisted in cutting up tree.

Wright's Electrical Started Com Cast make ready work on Monday 9/25.

Took down Spring Banners on Second Street.

Installed new Energy saving LED Light fixture at Welcome to Saint Clair Sign by Exxon.

Performed accuracy test on 4 Electric meters, all tested accurate.

Printed and posted approximately 80 – 48 hour Disconnect notices.

Performed numerous other jobs, responded to many PA ONE calls, answered and returned many phone calls and emails throughout month.

Respectfully Submitted;

Robert Petrozino
Superintendent
Saint Clair Borough Electric Light Dept.

10/3/2023

Borough of St. Clair Treasurer's Report - General Fund August 2023

_	TOTAL
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
301.10 · Real Estate Tax, Current	1,043.41
301.30 · Real Estate Tax, Delinquent	1,863.71
310.01 · Per Capita Tax, Current	99.00
310.03 Per Capita Tax, Delinquent	110.00
310.10 Real Estate Transfer Tax	981.96
310.20 Earned Income Tax	49,128.33
310.30 · Business Privilege Tax	16,553.86
310.41 · Occupation Tax, Current	34.65 46.20
310.43 · Occupation Tax, Delinquent 310.50 · Local Service Tax	9,549.69
331.12 · Police Fines	1,249.06
342.20 - Rental Income - Boro Property	500.00
361.33 - Variance/Zoning Permits	195.00
362.10 · Police Protection Services	7,083.33
364.30 · Solid Waste Collection Fees	34,566.24
367.11 Swimming Pool Receipts	4,281.21
389.00 · Miscellaneous Income	97.00
392.18 · Transfers from Electric Light	200,000.00
Total Income	327,382.65
Expense	
Administration Department	26,471.39
Health & Sanitation Department	20,756.44
Miscellaneous Department	2,265.50
Planning & Zoning Department	20,341.37
Police Protection Department	51,487.44
403.00 · Tax Collection Department	3,564.86
409.00 Borough Buildings Department	11,132.08
411.00 Fire Department	5,606.79
430.00 · Streets & Bridges Department	33,533.15
452.00 · Recreation Department	15,693.92

Borough of St. Clair Treasurer's Report - General Fund August 2023

	TOTAL
481.00 · Payroll Tax Expense	5,020.17
487.00 Employer Benefits & W/H	57,751.57
Total Expense	253,624.68
Net Ordinary Income	73,757.97
Other Income/Expense Other Income	
341.000 · Interest, Dividend Income	1,577.85
Total Other Income	1,577.85
Other Expense	
492.00 Transfers Department 492.130 Transfer to Sinking Fund	25,000.00
492.305 · Transfer to Gen Fund Cap	3,000.00
Total 400 00 Transfers Department	00.000.00
Total 492.00 · Transfers Department	28,000.00

ENDING BALANCE: \$178,310.73

Borough of St. Clair Treasurer's Report - Electric Light Fund August 2023

	TOTAL
Ordinary Income/Expense	
7372.40 · Electric Energy Sales	523,607.86
7372.50 · Sales Tax Discounts	25.00
7372.55 · Processing Fees	900.00
7372.56 Miscellaneous Receipts	381.00
7372.57 · Service Fees	700.00
Total Income	525,613.86
Expense	
7401.00 · Electric Light	
7401120 · Superintendent	5,212.04
7402114 · Treasurer	1,288.36
7405300 · Secretary	2,230.20
7409300 - Rental Expense	132.24
7442141 · Office Manager	3,892.81
7442142 · Administrative Assistant	1,910.72
7442143 - Lineman	8,188.71
7442210 · Office Supplies	1,207.62
7442220 · Electrical Materials & Supplies	2,629.28
7442231 - Gasoline & Oil	139.96
7442260 - Minor Equipment	1,419.96
7442321 Telephone	217.21
7442361 · AMP - Ohio	129,000.95
7442372 · Technology/Computer Expenses	1,125.00
7442450 · Refunds - Electric	112.34
Total 7401.00 - Electric Light	158,707.40
Total Expense	158,707.40
Net Ordinary Income	366,906.46
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
341.000 · Interest, Dividend Income	3,186.98
Total Other Income	3,186,98
Other Expense	
492.00 - Transfers Department	
492,130 · Transfer to Sinking Fund	11,500.00
492.80 · Transfer to General Fund	200,000.00
Total 492.00 · Transfers Department	211,500.00
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Borough of St. Clair Balance Sheet As of August 31, 2023

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ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
100.10 · Elec. Lgt. Sales Tax- Mid Penn	16,531.99
100.12 PLGIT - Elec Light Deposit Acct	3,395.85
100.121 · PLGIT PRIME - Elec. Light Dep.	22,099.72
100.13 · PLGIT - Elect Lgt Capital Rsrv	9,067.66
100.131 PLGIT PRIME-Elec.Light Cap Res	259,493.67
100.14 · PLGIT - Electric Light Fund	613,316.05
100.15 PLGIT - FIRE INS ESCROW ACCT	35,868.52
100.16 · PLGIT - General Fund	151,292.40
100.17 · PLGIT - General Fund Cap Reserv	110,030.89
100.171 - PLGIT PRIME-Gen. Fund Cap	154,957.27
100.18 · PLGIT - HD Land Devel Escrow	18,551.26
100.191 · PLGIT PRIME - Highway Aid Fu	99,545.48
100.20 · Elec. Light Chk. (Mid Penn)	20,770.20
100.21 · PLGIT - Home Program	739.33
100.22 · PLGIT - Recreation Grant Fund	40,309.93
100,221 · PLGIT PRIME - Recreation Grant	173.42
100.231 PLGIT PRIME - Sinking Fund	294,011.08
100.24 · PLGIT - Street Opening Permit	22,485.04
100.241 · PLGIT PRIME - Street Opening	46,146.50
100.30 · Gen. Fund Chk. (Mid Penn)	27,017.66
100.401 · PLGIT PRIME - Bridge Cons. Fu	118,573.57
100.501 · PLGIT PRIME - Demolition Fund	236,078.04
100.90 PLGIT - Building Permit Fund	66,068.81
105.10 - PLGIT - Payroll Fund	296.09
105.20 · PLGIT - Withholding Account	4,353.46
110 · Petty Cash	500.00
110.10 Petty Cash - General Fund	200.00
110.20 · Petty Cash - Swimming Pool - GF	300.00
Total Checking/Savings	2,372,173.89

Tax Collector's Remittance to Taxing Districts

WILLIAM UMBENHAUR - 2023 - SAINT CLAIR BOROUGH

For 08/01/2023 thru 08/31/2023

Date Created <u>09/13/2023</u>

SAINT CLAIR BOROUGH Taxing District

		Municipality	Borough Per Capita	Borough Occupation	Other
Α, (Collections				
1.	Balance Collectable - Beginning of Month	31776.92	3735.00	1568.70	
2A.	Additions: During the Month (*)				
2B.	Deductions: Credits During the Month - (from line 17)	94.18			
3.	Total Collectable	31871.10	3735.00	1568.70	.,
4.	Less: Face Collections for the Month	1668.03	100,00	27.30	
5.	Less: Deletions/Exemptions from the List (*)			14.70	
6.	Less: Exonerations (*)		30,00	12,60	
7.	Less: Liens/Non-Lienable/Installments (*)				
8,	Balance collectable - End of Month	30203.07	3605,00	1514.10	
B. R	econcilliation of Cash Collected				
9.	Face Amount of Collections - (must agree with line 4+7)	1668.03	100,00	27.30	
10.	Plus: Penalties	166.85	10.00	2.73	
11.	Less: Discounts				
12.	Total Cash Collected per Column	1834.88	110.00	30.03	
13.	Total Cash Collected - (12A + 12B + 12C + 12D)				1974.91

(*) ATTACH ANY SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED BY YOUR TAXING DISTRICT

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Borough of St. Clair

Zoning Officer's Report

September 2023

Application	Application Date	Description	Status	Special Notes
Zoning Permit	9/5/2023	Addition	Pending	316 S. Nichlos
Zoning Violation	9/6/2023	RV Occupancy	NA	RV moved
Zoning Violation	9/26/2023	Farm Conditions	Issued Violation	In Process
Zoning Permit	9/9/2023	Signs	Issued 2022	
Zoning Permit	9/27/2023	Driveway	Issued	14 S. Front
Zoning Permit	9/28/2023	Renovation	Pending	11 W. Franklin
Zoning Permit	9/28/2023	Driveway	Issued	431 Parvins Hill

Greg Stednitz

Zoning Officer

9-28-2023

Saint Clair Fire Department Fire Alarm Report September 2023

<u>September-01 CHIEF CALL</u> 09:27 hours 320 South Second St. for a chief request. Deputy Skrobak responded, arrived to find a feline in destress on a roof. A neighbor got the feline down from the roof. No fire was needed. (AR62) In service 15 minutes.

<u>September-01 STILL ALARM</u> 18:21 hours 324 South Second St. for a report of fluid on the roadway. Alert/Columbia, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members put down oil dry and went available. (FLD62) In service 15 minutes.

<u>September-02 STILL ALARM</u> 18:45 hours 157 East Darkwater Rd. for an off-road rescue. Alert/Columbia, Rescue, West End, Schuylkill EMS, and all chiefs responded, Members were cancelled and redispatch at 18:52 hours to the same address. Members arrived and waited at the bottom of the hill while EMS evaluated the patients, both patients declined medical attention. Companies went available. (ORR17) In service 75 minutes.

<u>September-03 STILL ALARM</u> 13:47 hours 157 East Darkwater Rd. for an off-road rescue. Alert/Columbia, Rescue, West End, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members arrived to learn that the patient was being transported out of the woods to EMS, members waited until the patient was in the care of EMS and went available. (ORR17) In service 25 minutes.

<u>September-11 GENERAL ALARM</u> 07:40 (BOX 33) 400 Terry Rich Blvd. for an automatic fire alarm. Alert/Columbia Asst. Skrobak and Johns responded. Members arrived and spoke with employees who just started the oven. Members did air monitoring throughout the building and checked the oven to find everything working properly. (AFA62) In service 20 minutes.

<u>September-12 STILL ALARM</u> 15:28 hours 1550 Burma Rd. Blythe Township for a vehicle accident w/injury. Alert/Columbia, Rescue, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members provided patient care and directed traffic. (MVA02) In service 45 minutes.

<u>September-13 STILL ALARM</u> 09:22 hours 601 North 16 Street Pottsville (*John S Clarke Elementary School*) for smoke in a classroom. Alert/Columbia, Asst. Johns and Skrobak were cancelled before going enroute. (SIS68) in service 10 minutes.

September-17 STILL ALARM 13:10 hours 550 Terry Rich Blvd. (Tractor Supply) for a vehicle accident unknown injury. Alert/Columbia, Rescue, West End, SCPD, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members arrived to find that the vehicle was not occupied at the time it rolled away. People on scene removed two dogs from the vehicle before fire department personnel arrived. Members secured the scene and provided safety for the wrecker crew. (MVA62) In service 45 minutes.

<u>September-18 STILL ALARM</u> 01:45 hours 117 North St. Port Carbon for an apartment building fire. Alert/Columbia, Chief Uhrin, and Skrobak responded. Members were placed available while enroute. (CSF59) In service 20 minutes.

<u>September-21 STILL ALARM</u> 12:19 hours Wade Rd. and Joseph H Long Blvd. for a vehicle accident w/injury. Alert/Columbia, Rescue, Deputy Skrobak, and Schuylkill EMS responded. Members assisted EMS with patient care and provided traffic control. (MVA62) In service 20 minutes.

<u>September-21 STILL ALARM</u> 20:17 hours 104 North Second St. (rear parking lot) for a vehicle fire. Alert/Columbia, Chief Uhrin, Skrobak and SCPD responded. Members arrived to find hot brakes on a welding truck, members checked with the thermal camera and no danger was found. (VF62) In service 20 minutes.

<u>September-23 STILL ALARM</u> 04:59 hours 13 Silver Creek Rd. Blythe Township for a house fire. Alert/Columbia, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members raised 4 ground ladders, performed ventilation, overhaul, and assisted with suppression. (RSF02) In service 4.5 hours.

<u>September-24 STILL ALARM</u> 09:32 hours Thompson St. and West Carroll St. for a tree down. Alert/Columbia, West End, and all chiefs responded. Members cut up and removed from the roadway. (TD62) In service 45 minutes.

<u>September-24 CHIEF CALL</u> 11:44 hours 42 South Front St. assist police on a welfare check. Asst. Johns and Skrobak responded. The person was alright. (PA62) In service 10 minutes.

<u>September-28 STILL ALARM</u> 16:37 hours 700 Ann St. Norwegian Township for a rubbish fire. West End, Asst. Johns assisted Pottsville companies with a rubbish/tires fire. Members hauled 3 loads of water in 62-45(3600 gal.) (RF20) In service 2.5 hours.

<u>September-30 CHIEF CALL</u> 08:04 hours 37 North Second St. for an unknown type of alarm sounding. Chief Uhrin, and SCPD responded, arrived and heard an alarm coming from the second floor. Requested Station 2 be dispatched to assist. (CHF62) In service 45 minutes.

<u>September-30 STILL ALARM</u> 08:16 hours 37 North Second St. assist Chief on an alarm sounding on the second floor of an apartment building. Members found the alarm on the second-floor landing and silenced the alarm and did air monitoring throughout the second floor with no hazards found. (CHF62) In service 40 minutes.

Comments:

The following alarm boxes were tested; 33,42,36.

On Thursday September 7th at approximately 16:30 hours the 911 emergency and non-emergency phone lines went down. Members of the St. Clair Fire Department manned their stations for any emergencies that would come about. The Borough put out a message to residents that in the event of any type of an emergency, pull a Gamewell Fire Alarm Box and wait for a first responder to arrive to tell them where the emergency is. The 911 lines went back in service at 13:00 on Friday September 8th. In all 22 first responders were available at times throughout the outage.

General Alarm	1
Still Alarm	13
False Alarm	0
Chief Call/ Public Service	3

Total Calls 17

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Uhrin Fire Chief

BOROUGH OF ST. CLAIR - CODE ENFORCEMENT - PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

16 South Third Street St Clair, PA 17970

PHONE: 570-429-0640 Fax: 570-429-2829

October 3, 2023

TOTAL COMPLAINTS - 29

RENTAL INSPECTIONS – 4

Respectfully,

Michelle D. Brestowski

Code Enforcement Officer

We are blessed with dedicated first responders who stand ready, willing, and able to drop whatever they are doing to help a person in need. Whether it's storms and flooding, fires, traffic accidents, or other emergencies we know we can count on our first responders to be there for us.

The National Fire Protection Association states that time donated by volunteer firefighters saves communities like ours and across the country an estimated 46.9 billion dollars per year.

We are fortunate to have the people of our communities who support us in our yearly drive and our fund raisers that we do throughout the year. We could not operate without the financial support that you provide us with. The Volunteer Firefighter Grant Program is also critical in helping departments like ours keep our equipment up to date and our first responders protected, as well as the support that you, the leaders of the community, give us.

Pennsylvania continues to see a drastic decline in volunteer firefighters. In 1970 we had an estimated 300,000 volunteer firefighters, 1985 that dropped to 150,000, and today we estimate less than 38,000 across the state. We in St. Clair want to do everything that we can to reverse this trend in our borough.

The members of the Alert Fire Company #1, Columbia Hose Company #2 and the Phoenix Fire Company #4 have been working together to better serve the communities whom we provide fire, rescue, and emergency services to. We have been training and trying to find the best possible ways to protect our citizens and those that travel through and visit our communities with the volunteers that these companies have. The members of these companies are cross trained on each other's apparatus and equipment along with methods to increase our response times, managing our resources, and making it safer for our first responders.

We the members of the above companies are asking the Borough Council to apply for a (2023 Pa. DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA) Local Share Account (LSA) for a building at the center of the community on the lot next to the Alert Fire Company on South Second Street. By having our equipment in one location it will provide a more productive operation at an emergency by having personnel respond to one location as opposed to 3, and will make it better for those in need, who will receive a quicker and more efficient response while making it safer for our first responders. By having our apparatus at one location it will make it efficient to manage our resources, equipment, and manpower for responses to emergencies.

Alert Fire Co. #1 President -Patrick Murphy

Columbia Hose Co.#2 President -Jeffery Arner

Phoenix Fire Co.#4 President -William Purnell